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Governor Musgrove Proclaims "College Fair Week"

(Jackson, MS) – Governor Ronnie Musgrove has proclaimed the week of October 20, 2003, as "College Fair Week" to encourage Mississippi students and parents to began planning and making preparations for enrollment in college.

"We are committed to providing young Mississippians with a quality education and the resources they need to adequately prepare them for their future," said Musgrove. "The 5th Annual IHL College Fair is just one tool that shows our dedication to young Mississippians, their education, and to their parents."

The IHL College Fair will provide "one-stop shopping" to students and their parents for information concerning admissions, financial aid, and student life at Mississippi's eight public universities.

The universities featured at the IHL College Fair include: Alcorn State University, Delta State University, Jackson State University, Mississippi State University, Mississippi University for Women, Mississippi Valley State University, University of Southern Mississippi, and the University of Mississippi Medical Center.

Over 33,000 students and parents have attended the past fairs and admission is free. Prizes donated by the universities will be raffled off throughout both days and at least 41 special IHL College Fair Scholarships in the amount of \$500 will also be awarded.

For more information visit the IHL website at www.mississippiuniversities.com or contact the IHL Office of Public Affairs at 601-432-6493.